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THE HAWAII HISTORIC PRESERVATION SPECIAL FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011



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BACKGROUND

The Hawaii Historic Preservation Special Fund (Fund) was established under Section 6E-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), by way of Act 388, Session Laws of Hawaii 1989, to enhance and preserve elements of our past that should be integrated into our daily living.

Allowable deposits into the Fund include:

- (1) Appropriations by the Legislature to the Fund;
- (2) Gifts, donations, and grants from public agencies and private persons;
- (3) All proceeds collected by the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) derived from historic preserve user fees, historic preserve leases or concession fees, fees charged to carry out the purposes of Chapter 6E, HRS, or the sale of goods; and
- (4) Civil, criminal, and administrative penalties, fines, and other charges collected under Chapter 6E, HRS, or any rule adopted pursuant to Chapter 6E, HRS.

All interest earned or accrued on moneys deposited in the Fund shall become part of the Fund. The Fund shall be administered by the Department; provided that the Department may contract with a public or private agency to provide the day-to-day management of the Fund.

Subject to legislative authorization, the Department may expend moneys from the Fund:

- (1) For permanent and temporary staff positions;
- (2) To replenish goods;
- (3) To produce public information materials;
- (4) To provide financial assistance to public agencies and private agencies in accordance with Chapter 42F, HRS, involved in historic preservation activities other than those covered by Section 6E-9, HRS; and
- (5) To cover administrative and operational costs of the Department's State Historic Preservation Program.

Use of the Fund:

The majority of money in the Fund is used to pay for one position, Architectural Historian. However, the Fund usually does not generate enough to fully cover the costs of this position and therefore monies from the Fund are not used for other purposes.

FUND BALANCE

Appropriation Account Number: S-321-C

Beginning Cash Balance	(7/1/10)	\$ 42,744.43
Revenues		\$ 26,246.42
Expenditures		\$ 19,987.00
Ending Cash Balance	(6/30/11)	\$ 49,003.85
Ending Encumbrances	()	\$
Net Cash Balance		\$ 49,003.85

The revenues were derived from user fees, professional fees, donations, interest income, and fines. Moneys were expended to pay the salaries and benefits of the Architectural Historian, and special fund assessments (central services fees and administrative expenses) imposed under Chapter 36, HRS.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Department's State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) has continued to build and restructure through 2010-2011 with a focus on meeting the National Park Service's (NPS) Mandated Corrective Action Plan (CAP) for the Division.

SHPD has maintained qualified staff in its Archaeology Branch and has at least one person on each island except Kauai. In the Architecture Branch, SHPD has staff who have met the qualifications for a historian as well as a historic architect. SHPD will continue to meet the need for an architectural historian by way of contracting.

Fortunately, the 2011 Legislature approved seven (7) new positions and the restoration of four (4) positions. The Governor approved expending funds to hire new positions after July 1, 2011, and SHPD has been working diligently to fill positions.

The NPS Liaison arrived in October 2011 to help SHPD meet its CAP requirements. Additionally, the Department hired Solutions Pacific to help meet CAP requirements. SHPD has put on a training for the Certified Local Governments, contracted to have the National Register requirements codified, has staff working on survey and inventory, and is working to address the different levels of the backlog within the Division. With the help of Waianae First-to-Work, much of the backlog in filing has been addressed. The Historic Preservation State Plan will be restarted in November 2011.

SHPD has participated in 106 consultations on the Kunia Villages affordable housing project with the United States Department of Agriculture- Rural Development Program. SHPD continues to work with the Navy and the Army to meet the requirements of their on-going programmatic agreements, and SHPD is working with the Department of Transportation to meet programmatic agreement requirements for a variety of Kauai programs.

SHPD also hired a branch chief for the Architecture Branch and is working on hiring a branch chief for archaeology. SHPD is in the process of revamping its History and Culture Branch.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

The Department looks forward to bringing its filing system up-to-date, to putting a majority of its records on an electronic database and to linking its resource files to the Geographic Information System. In order to achieve this, SHPD is working with e-gov, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and the United States Army Corps to develop an automated intake system that should be up within six months.

In addition, if it continues to make forward progress, SHPD plans to meet CAP requirements by February 2013.